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THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY : Sir, the notice relates to the spread of leprosy in and around Valliammalpuram village, Tirunelveli district. On the representation of Sri M. S. Selvarajan, M.L.A., received by Government in April 1955, in the matter, the remarks of the Director of Medical Services were already obtained in this regard. The Director of Medical Services reports that the survey of the area was already made by the State Leprosy Survey Officer, Vellore, that the District Medical Officer, Tirunelveli, has already requested the Honorary Secretary, Hind Kusht Nivaran Sangh, Tirunelveli District Branch, to supply medicines, etc., to the Medical Officer of the Mission Hospital, Megnanapuram, for the treatment of leprosy cases in and around Immanuelpuram village and that the District Medical Officer, Tirunelveli, has already supplied the following medicines to the Medical Officer, Mission Hospital, Megnanapuram, from the stocks to the Government Hospital, Palayamkottai, for the treatment of leprosy cases :—

Syringes	3
Cotton wool	6 lb.
Sulphone Tablets	250
Needles	12
Oleum Hydoncarpl oil ..	1 lb.
Spritus Methylatus	2 lb.

The survey of the villages in Tiruchendur taluk in Tirunelveli district was done by the State Leprosy Survey Unit, Vellore, during the month of February 1955. It is proposed to ask the Director of Medical Services to consult the Hind Kusht Nivaran Sangh, Tirunelveli district branch, whether the Sangh can open a clinic at Valliammalpuram village with Government help, if necessary.

IV.—BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE *RE* PROGRAMME OF SITTINGS OF THE HOUSE.

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM : May I know from the Hon. the Leader of the House about the business of the House for to-day, to-morrow and day after to-morrow and how long this sitting will continue?

* THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : There is a resolution on the Legislature becoming a member of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association. After that is over, the Bill standing in the name of the Hon. the Revenue Minister will be taken up. There will be no sitting in the afternoon of to-day. To-morrow we will be assembling at 8-30 a.m. To-morrow with the consent of the Leaders of the Opposition, the non-official day will be treated as an official day and the questionnaire issued by the Official Language Commission will be taken up for consideration. Day after to-morrow the discussion will be continued. We will also have to

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consider the Rules about which the Report of the Select Committee has been submitted. That could be done on the 30th instant. On the 30th the Assembly will be adjourned.

DR. K. B. MENON : If the non-official day is converted into an official day, may I know whether the Bills notice for whose introduction has been given will lapse?

* THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Fresh notice will have to be given.

SRI K. C. GOPALAN UNNI : Sir, you were pleased to read out certain messages received from the Governor. One message has been received in regard to the introduction of the General Sales Tax (Fourth Amendment) Bill, 1955. This House was not informed whether permission had been received for introduction of a Third Amendment Bill. Any such Bill was also not introduced.

* THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Evidently the hon. Member was not alert enough. The message was received from the Governor and read out to the House.

V.—ADJOURNMENT MOTION *RE* DETENTION OF SRI ANANDAN, AN ELECTION WORKER, DURING THE PERIOD OF ELECTION.

MR. SPEAKER : I have received notice of an adjournment motion from Dr. K. B. Menon which reads as follows :— 12-30 p.m

" This House do stand adjourned to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely, the failure of the Government to prevent the continued detention during the period of election of Shri Anandan, one of the election workers, in spite of bail being offered twice."

The hon. Member had given a short-notice question on the same subject. I think the Hon. Minister is considering the matter and will be sending a reply. In the light of that, may I ask the hon. Member, Dr. K. B. Menon, not to press this adjournment motion to-day?

SRI K. VINAYAKAM : Sir, the point of order that I wish to drive at is this. An adjournment motion has been given notice of and also a motion under rule 40, the former by Dr. K. B. Menon and the latter by Sri Selvarajan. When these two motions are to be considered by the House, I think the Chair has to give precedence to the adjournment motion. After disposing of the adjournment motion, the motion under rule 40 has to be taken up. May I know why the Chair has given preference to the motion under rule 40 instead of taking the adjournment motion first?

MR. SPEAKER : If the hon. Member will be kind enough to refer me to the particular rule which says that adjournment motions should be given precedence over motions coming under